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Seniors, Brothers Tour Capital On Four Day Sightseeing Trip

Forty-five Loughlin seniors made the first of two annual trips to our capital this December 5. Their tour of Washington lasted four days, including a school day and the feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Stay at Burlington Hotel

Brother A. James, director of Senior Activities was in charge and Don Santagato, room 116, acted as Chairman. The group left from Pennsylvania Station Saturday morning at 8:00 a.m. Besides Brother James, Brothers Alban and Lawrence accompanied the seniors. The Loughlinites stayed at the Burlington Hotel five blocks from the Capitol.

Friar guides seniors through Monastery

Sites Draw Interest

Notable among the many historic sites that they visited were the newly consecrated National Shrine, the Capitol Building, Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials, and he Washington Monument. They also traveled into Virginia to see Mount Vernon, the home of George Washington.

Encouraged by the success of this trip the Senior Class looks forward to another Washington trip in February.

A Christmas Message

Dear Men of Loughlin,

I and the Faculty take this opportunity to wish you and your wonderful families all the joys and blessings of the Christmas Season.

In every aspect of the Christmas Story the resounding note is that of GIVING. Probably the greatest gift was that of Mary's "FIAT." Without her utterance of "Thy Will be done" nine months before, there could not have been possible a Christmas Day. By giving herself, Mary gave Christ to us physically in a place called Bethlehem and spiritually through the Sacraments instituted by her Son.

This consideration brings to mind that as Mary was chosen by God to bring Christ into the world and into the hearts of all men of goodwill, so too is God calling many fellows of Loughlin - many of the Seniors - at this time to give their "FIAT" to enter the Brotherhood or the Priesthood. No greater gift can be given by you at this "giving time" than to say to Christ, "Thy Will be done. I'll be a Brother or I'll be a Priest as You direct me." No greater gift of joy can be given to your parents if you at this Christmas say, "Mom and dad, I'm going to enter the Brothers' Novitiate" or "Mom and dad, I'm going to enter Cathedral College." No greater gift can you make to the salvation of many souls than to sign with Christ "to go forth to preach and to teach all nations."

Underclassmen, consider: a vocation is not recognized only in the Senior year. Should you feel inclined to give everything like Our Blessed Mother did let the Christ Child know about it this Christmas. Let Mary and Joseph hear you say, "I'd like to give myself to your Son. Just as you gave Him to us on the first Christmas, I'd like to give Him to my fellow men, through my teaching and my preaching."

To all such men of good will at Loughlin the Christmas of 1959 will be truly the best to date.

Mr. Claus to Make His Annual Visit Many Surprises Spark The Festivities

Loughlin presents its annual Christmas Assembly in the auditorium this afternoon, ushering in the holiday season. Once again this year the yuletide show is under the auspices of Brother A. James with the entire student body attending.

Glee Club and Orchestra to Entertain

According to the committee which is headed by John Podesta of room 126, the show is going to be mainly one of a secret until it is presented this afternoon. It is however to be centered around the Glee Club directed by Brother Basilian and the school orchestra under the baton of Mr. Angelo Consoli. The Glee Club will sing such favorites as "Story of Christmas", arranged by Fred Waring, "Silent Night" and many other traditional holiday selections. "At Christmas Tide" and "Jingle Bells" will be among the arrangements played by Loughlin's orchestra.

Others Show Talent

One of the highlights of the assembly will come with the recitation of the Christmas gospel according to Saint Luke by the entire Glee Club. Among the other entertainment offerings will be an accordian duet featuring Sal De Franco and Tom Lesnik, the Senior and Junior Jazz Combos and also an accordian selection by the Dmytryk brothers. Several comedy skits will also help to set the mood for the Christmas season. Brother B. Stephen, prinicpal, will then extend to the students assembled, the felicitations of the entire faculty for a happy and holy Christmas. As is customary for Christmas shows, Santa Claus will make his annual appearance distributing the customary "gifts" to the members of the faculty.

Faculty Establishes Journal As A Workshop To Air Voices On Various School Problems

Acting on a suggestion from Brother Stephen, the principal, the faculty of the school has succeeded in establishing its own magazine the **Loughlin Forum**. This will be a journal containing the opinions as well as creative writings of the faculty members and will provide something in the way of a workshop for them.

May Solve Problems

The primary purpose of the **Forum** is to afford to the teachers the opportunity of expressing themselves in a professional publication. It is hoped also, that a certain amount of controversy will be stirred up through it, which in some cases might result in the solution of educational problems.

Will Contain Humor

Ideas for the improvement of the curriculum and syllabus, on scholarship preparation, discipline, and extracurricular activities will all be incorporated into the journal. In addition to the short stories and poems which it will contain, several humorous works are anticipated. Expected to appear within the next few issues are an article on repeaters, another on the need for a chapel, and one on the science program.

Maintaining the position of editor of the **Forum** is Mr. James Wallace with Mr. Kevin Wolfe serving as his assistant. Mr. Edward Crowe is circulation manager.

First Deadline in December

Published quarterly, the first issue of the journal will be mimeographed. The deadline for anyone wishing to submit material for the first publication was December 15. A maximum length of one thousand words has been placed on all articles.

In commenting on the future plans for the **Forum**, Mr. Wallace remarked as follows: "Eventually we hope to have it printed and sent around to the faculties of other schools, who may in turn send us back their criticisms and ideas."

Two Loughlinites To Attend Forum

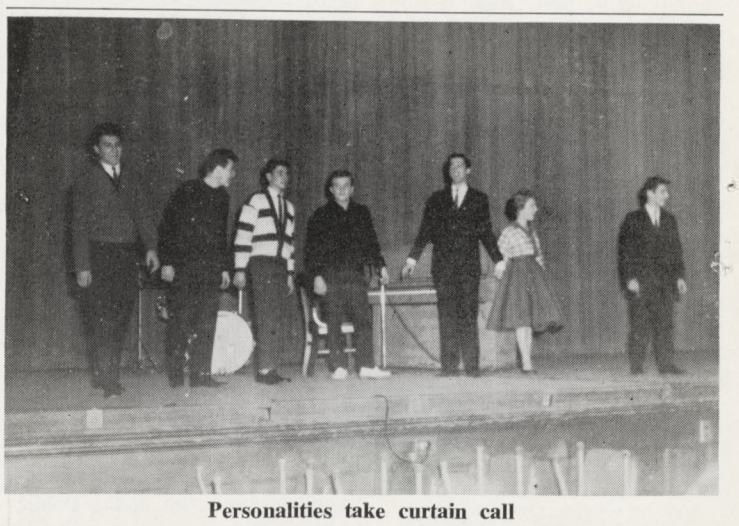
Two Loughlin students will attend the weekly televised broadcast of the **New York Times** Youth Forum as members of the high school audience. The program is moderated by Mrs. Dorothy Gordon and includes a guest speaker, and a teenage panel of four. When the topic permits, foreign exchange students are invited to the show as panel members to add an international air to the program.

Panel Debates News

The Youth Forum discusses such articles as "The Free World's Interest In India," "What Are The Prospects for World Peace" and "U.S. Foreign Assistance - Where The Emphasis Lies " The program has such guest speakers as Mr. John Sherman Cooper; U.S. Senator from Kentucky, and Major General William H. Draper; Chairman, President's Committee to Study the U.S. Military Assistance Program. The **New York Times** Youth Forum is telecasted every Sunday 12:30 to 1:00 p.m. on NBC Channel 4 and it is broadcasted from 10:30 to 11:00 a.m. on the WQXR network.

Loughlin-McDonnell Combine Efforts In Show For Missions

A special Loughlin - McDonnell dance was conducted here in school, Friday, December 11. The mission dance was so named because the proceeds received from the affair went directly to Auxiliary Bishop Boardman for use by the Society of the Propagation of the Faith.



Personalities take curtain call

Rock 'n Roll Stars Appear

This affair was more than a dance. A rock 'n roll show highlighted the program. Such famous rock 'n roll singers as the Crystals and Ralph De Marco starred in the show. Other singers appeared who were trying to "break the ice" in their new careers. The master of ceremonies was Clay Cole, a T.V. star from the "Rate the Record" show.

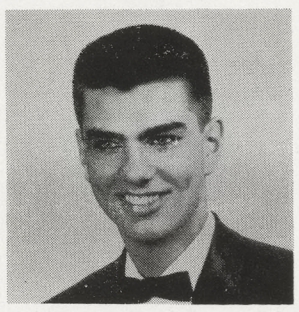
Attended by Many

Approximately a thousand persons attended in all. Five hundred Loughlin men, some with their own dates, danced to the music supplied by two combos. Under the direction of Brother James, the joint affair was a huge success with the proceeds amounting to about four hundred dollars. Preference was given to Seniors in buying the fifty cent tickets.

PERSONALITIES

ROSS BAIERA and STAN DOROSEWICZ

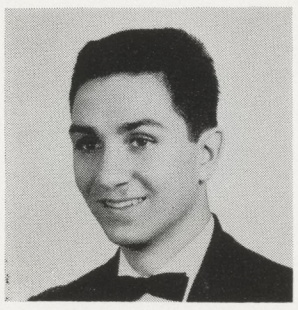
We now come to the man on his letter, Jim Spengler. He is ing but also captain of our varsity with snow shoes (tennis rackets) not only a member in good standtennis squad. Among his scholastic achievements are two years in the Leo Honor and six Gold L's.



James Spengler

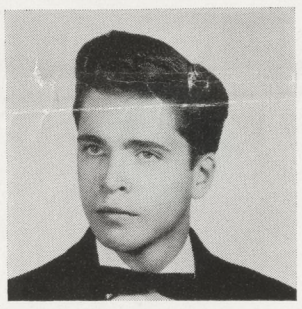
Jim, who commutes to school via "A" train, pays parish dues at St. Michael's in East New York. As an extra-extra-curricular activity he lists the Columbian Squires - The Louis A. Ruh Circle - where he is Chief Squire and formerly New York State Bursar Squire.

Bill Proto, Vice-President of the Student Council, takes time out from the basketball court to appear in our personality column. Bill is also a member of the baseball team. He enjoys himself by playing golf, listening to jazz records and spending his Friday nights with a sweet girl named Bernie. In his home parish, St. Mary Mother of Jesus, he is a member of the Holy Name Society and plays baseball for the American Legion League. This hoopster is also a La Salle Club member and a Catechist. Bill's intellectual trophies include four Gold L's which he managed to collect during his earlier days at Loughlin. After graduation he plans to follow a pre-med course at Fordham.



Bill Proto

The following is a paid political announcement: As a Christmas present to all Loughlinites we have the honor of presenting our wonderful boss, Bob Romanyshyn, Editor-in-Chief of the **Jamesonian** and the author of the widely read column "As I See It." In his spare time he manages to keep the Leo Honor Society running since he is the president of the club. Bob is not what you would call a tyrannical leader but in his own simple way he tries to be. He informed us that his outside activities include visits to his barber annually and party engagements which he never keeps.

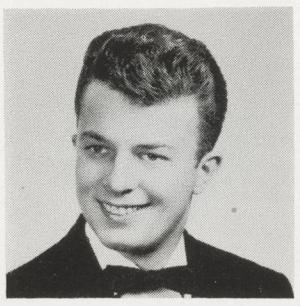


Bob Romanyshyn

We now present some rather startling news to the medical world, Bob plans to study pre-med at either Manhattan or N.Y.U.

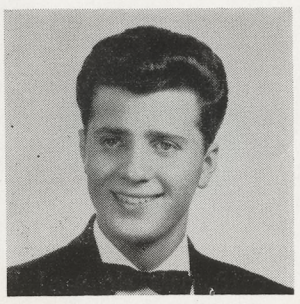
(N.B. The above biography has been altered by you know who. If anyone knows of any openings for editors, contact us immediately).

Our next splashing senior is Jack (John) Dalton, of room 305 (confusing isn't it?) Jack or John hails from St. Joan of Arc parish over yonder at Jackson Heights. John, a purple party man, is now committee chairman of senior activities. The swimming team, drowning division, takes most of his spare time. Jack also has Mary Jane and his records to keep him busy. John is also the vice-chairman of the Senior Prom. Jack intends to go to Holy Cross to study economics.



John Dalton

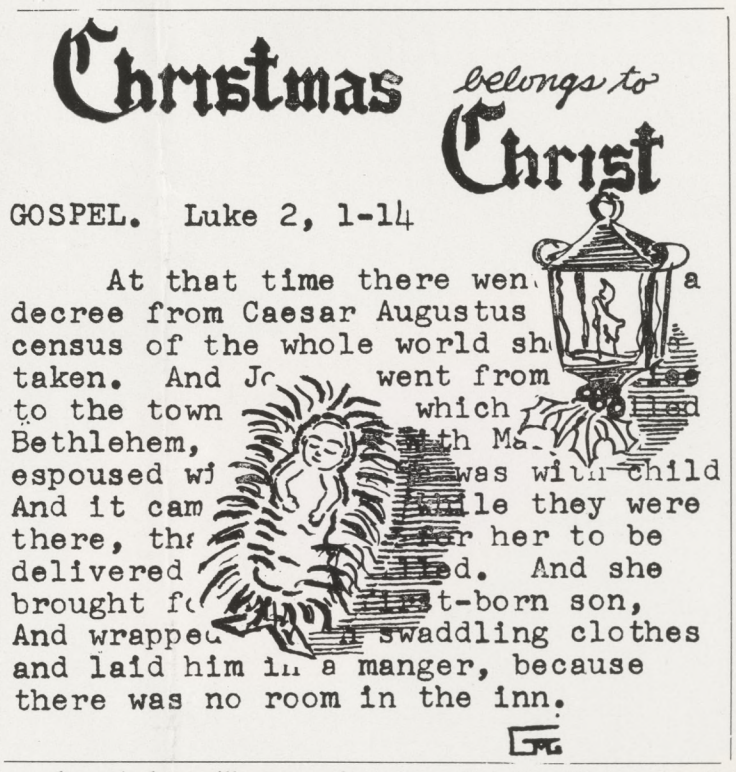
The next senior to step into the spotlight is Joseph "Henry" Presutto, studio number 119. Joe comes to us from St. Gabriel's, Brooklyn, by the IRT. At St. Gabriel's, Joe is an altar boy and a member of the Junior Holy Name Society. Henry can be seen around school talking it up in the Public Speaking, Debating and Dramatic Clubs. He has so far appeared in four school plays. The Math Club, Glee Club, Benilde Club, Catechists and intramurals are also a part of his schedule. His hobbies are collecting records and being a "ham", radio "ham" that is. After graduation he intends to go to Manhattan to study social sciences.



Joseph Presutto

Christ Is Christmas

We are now in the joyous season of Christmas; it is one of the most important feast days of the Catholic Church, being the day on which Our Savior was born. Several customs have arisen through the years which have now become synonomous with the word Christmas. We now exchange gifts with our friends and loved ones just as the wisemen presented gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh in return for God's giving to the whole world the gift of His only begotten Son. The traditional Christmas tree with its multicolored lights and ornaments, the Christmas wreath which is placed on the door of our houses, the traditional crib depicting the birth of the infant Jesus, these all have religious significances.



However, during recent years, pagan elements have crept in and loosened the traditional standards which originally belonged to Christmas. The customary "red" and "green" colors which have been closely associated with Christmas are gradually disappearing and being replaced by different colors. There has also been stress placed upon the material aspects of Christmas. It is said that Christmas has been made into a business proposition. Manufacturing companies are producing "cute" images of snowmen, reindeer and Santa Clauses. The novelties are placed on the mantle-piece or on the window sill, once the place for the Christmas Crib. All these elements are slowly taking hold and are taking away the true meaning of Christmas. The aim is to remove all traces of Christ.

It is at a time like this when we should recall what Christmas really means. It is the day on which the Son of God took on human nature by being born to the Blessed Virgin Mary. He came into a troubled world in order to bring peace and salvation to its inhabitants.

As I See It

With the advent of Christmas it is only fitting and proper that this column devote some space to the true spirit and meaning of the season. Certainly we are all mature enough to realize that Christmas is actually the celebration of the birthday of Christ and just as you and I are anxious to be remembered on our birthdays so too is Our Lord. Remember Him by giving to Him the gift He wants most. Give Him yourself by being spiritually prepared at Christmas.

Now, I would like to devote the remaining part of this month's column to a particular issue which has recently been brought to my attention. It seems that a few members of the Senior Class have remarked to me about the lagging spirit and flippant attitude which has seemingly overtaken some of the Senior Class. It appears that the high hopes and burning zeal which marked the attitude of many of the seniors in September has somewhat waned. The situation is of course far from serious.

The recent formation of the Lionmen, under Brother Xavier, and their subsequent efforts at athletic events has added spark and vitality to the Loughlin spectator. (The attendance at basketball games and school dances has been for the most part good). However, it is in the interest of the future athletic and social events that this column is being written. Certainly if you have been faithfully supporting the various activities then this column has not much to offer you. On the other hand if you have been a little negligent then why not make it one of your New Year's resolutions to support Loughlin and give something back to the school.

In closing, I would like to point out that my column this month was not written because of any great urgency. I feel that thus far, the Senior Class as well as the rest of the school has done a fine job. The only reason for it was to remind everyone of the zeal and dogged determination which was so evident in September and to avoid any future laziness.

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The Best Advice

Can there be a substitute for individuality? Is there a way for us to develop our natural abilities in complete assurance that our efforts will meet with the success they deserve? This is the problem of adolescence, of life, of being a real person.

We possess, by nature, the factors out of which personality can ize them into an effective personal life is every man's primary responsibility. Without exaggeration, it can be said that frustrated, unhappy people who cannot match themselves with life, constitute the greatest single threat to humanity. There is no substitute for initiative, without it one never really lives. Yet the rags to riches story is not always the case.

Meyer Kubelski ran a small haberdashery shop in Waukegan, Illinois, and his life was hemmed in between his home and his store. On his son's sixth birthday, something happened that should have made his son, Benny, realize there were depths to his father.

"Benny, you should become a violinist. I'll hire the best teacher and maybe one day you'll be a great musician.

"Yes, Papa. Thanks." Benny replied.

Benny began his lessons and soon discovered that his fingers were strong and flexible and that he had a good sense of rhythm and pitch. He had a major shortcoming, he was lazy. Each night when his father came home, he would ask,

"How is Benny Kubelski, the violinist?"

"Fine, Papa."

There came a night, however, when this glib answer did not suffice. Papa told Benny, "You practice? Show me." Papa listened, then looked at the music sheet carefully. "That's an easy piece, you learned that months ago."

Years later. Benny came home to see his folks and Papa asked. "Benny, do you keep studying. keep practising the hard parts?"

"Well you see my art has changed, I tell jokes."

"Then why do you carry the violin?"

"For laughs, Dad. The violin is funny."

He stared incredulously at his son. "I'm sorry, Benny, but I couldn't laugh."

Benny rose as a star, and finally one of his new movies, "Men About Town" was premiered in his home town. At first Meyer refused to attend, but finally consented saying, "I was so sad when you stopped playing, Benny. But now I understand. You found you were better at making people laugh and it is good to laugh in these times. In the old country, we never laughed in bad times and during the good times we didn't laugh either because we were busy thinking about the hard times. I'm glad it's Benny Kubleski who makes it possible. And I've heard you practice the hard parts. Is that true, Benny?"

"Yes, Papa."

Years of frustration never made Jack Benny give up his desire to make Meyer Kubelski see his side. Many people never realize environment plays a minor role in personal development. Sooner or later we must face responsibility and practice the hard parts. If not, our life becomees as empty as the alibis we use. Fortunate people "get the breaks" men say; personal failure is due not so much to mistake as to mischance. That luck represents a real factor in human experience is evident, but nothing finer has appeared on earth than unlucky people who are real persons. The determining element in their personality and, yes, in Benny Kubelski's, is not so much what happened to them as the way they take it. If we can mold our God given talents by sheer will and faith in God, we will be the success old Meyer Kubelski was looking for in his son, Jack Benny. Those are the hard parts for everyone.

Valentine Huegel
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AROUND LOUGHLIN

ROSS BAIERA and JERRY GEARY

So the **Jamesonian** is running another contest. We, the writers of this slanderous column, tried to have it named the $64,000 . . . 21 . . . Challenge Treasure Dotto Question Hunt; however, we were overridden by the less liberal-minded editiors, who called it "Name that Goon" or something.

We had better watch out or we'll soon join the caravan of quiz show fixes, heavy-thumbed butchers, and members of the B.M.P.P.* However, we feel it is our duty to expose the contest for what it is; because of the Editorial Board's leaning toward minorities, members of the S.P.B.M.A.** will receive preference.

*Brooklyn Manufacturers of Parisian Perfumes

**Society for the Preservation of Buddhist Mosques in America

In addition to the many gifts which the members of the faculty will receive during the Season of Giving, we ask the teachers to accept the following gifts with open arms and closed minds:

Brother B. Stephen - 2,000 cans of Cranberry sauce for the Benilde Club food drive.

Brother B. Peter - A continental cut robe.

Brother A. Raphael - A vocation record entitled "Think It Over and Be Sure".

Brother A. Lewis - A money belt and a turnstile for the cafeteria.

Brother A. James - One Loughlin grad who is not a success.

Brother C. Richard - A three year tour of Governor's Island and a book on "Common Knowledge."

Brother Anselm of Jesus - A watch that will automatically fall off when he gets disturbed.

Mr. Miles - A Pogo Stick for the high jumpers.

Brother Christopher Charles - A free course on how to put 15 uses of the comma on one line.

Mr. Rusnak - A part in an off-Broadway production of **Macbeth.**

Brother Cosmas John - A book entitled "How to Make Latin Fun" written by Brother Cyprian Anselm.

Brother Philip - A bottle of Mr. Clean.

Brother Francis - Dumbells.

Mr. Crowe - A free "Driver's Ed" course

Mr. Gehm - An I.B.M. machine that will issue late passes.

Brother C. Xavier - A book entitled "How Not to Look Like a Loughlin Senior."

Brother A. Lawrence - An eleventh finger for that extra key on the typewriter.

Eyes On The Classroom
(Ha! Ha! We are everywhere)

Mr. Aeppli told the members of his chemistry class that his grandmother lived to the ripe old age of 113; for 50 years she took "Carter's Little Liver Pills" and after she was dead three days they had to open the coffin and beat her liver to death.

During an American History class the teacher asked a student, "What was the approximate time of the Era of Good Feeling?" The student who was seated in the back of the room replied, "It was just before Prohibition."

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A preview of this column was shown to a very fabulous senior, and, commenting on it, he replied in the words of that great philosopher, Gerardus Gaerius Maximus, "You guys are sure to be wits when you grow up, you're half-way there now."

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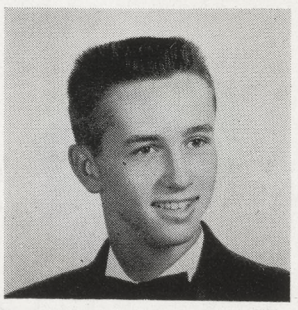
PERSONALITIES

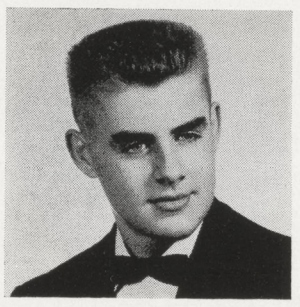
ROSS BAIERA and STAN DOROSEWICZ

George (Pete) Peterson of room 125 is one of our smaller seniors (6' 3"). Pete commutes between Blessed Sacrament, Bayside, and school by Flushing IRT and GG. On Saturdays, George stops fights by being referee and umpire for the De Phillips Athletic Club. George is a four year member of the basketball team and a three year member of the baseball team. He is also judge on the Student Court. The La Salle Club, tennis, intramurals and Gold "L" Society have been part of his activities. After graduation he plans to continue his education at Iona where he will study the art of teaching.



George Peterson

Next in our winner's circle is Tom "The Moose" Mullady from St. Mary's, Flushing. This accelerated senior is a resident of 106. Thomas, the present Copy Editor of this clarion, is usually found making trips to our printer. He is a former Benildist and public speaker.



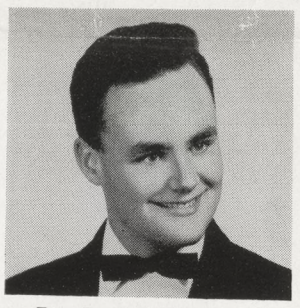
Tom Mullady

Tom is a Columbian Squire, works as a vegetable clerk at King Kullen's, and is a member of the Student Council. His post is located in the track room at 2:45.

With all these extra-curricular activities Tom has managed to collect five Gold L's. At social affairs you can usually see him with either Kathy or Denise.

This well-rounded Loughlinite would like to attend West Point thus embarking on an Army career.

Stop! Look! Listen! It's Jack McKenna, campaign manager of the victorious Purple Party. Jack is one of those "Intellectual Kids" from 117 who travels by the GG from St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Astoria. He is a Leo Honor member and has to his honor six Gold L's. Senior extra-curricular activities play an important part in his life at Loughlin, for he is Co-Editor of the **Senior Mag,** Senior Editor of the **Loughlinite** and the first assistant of Student Court.

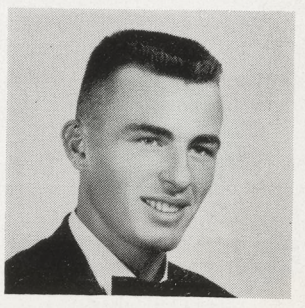


Jack McKenna

Now we present a personality from the track world, Edward J. J. Bowes, better known to his friends as Major Bowes from Amityville. Ed is well known in the Columbian Squires for he is a former Chief Squire and at present is a Notary Squire. For the last four years he has been an avid member of the track team and X-Country team, the latter of which he is captain. He is also the proud owner of a membership card in both the Benilde Club and the La Salle Club and holds the title of "Table Tennis Champ of Loughlin". The Major is considering for the future a Business Administration course at Manhattan College.

Edward Bowes

Another one of our seniors who is "way out" (lives way out that is) is Kevin "Mac" McManus of room 114. The Long Island Railroad carries Kevin from St. Joseph's, Babylon, to school Kevin is a member of the Columbian Squires and enjoys ice skating, basketball, swimming and dancing. Jo Ann also takes up part of his time. Kevin, the vice-chairman of the afternoon dances, on the Senior Magazine and Senior Prom committee, was also the chairman of the Victory Dance. Kevin will take off "into the wild blue yonder" at the Air Force Academy, where he will study nuclear physics.



Kevin McManus

In One Century

World War III started on a cold day in February. February 18, 1970, to be exact. It was over, five hours after it started. There was no destruction, a gas had conquered all. Russia ruled the world.

The town is the Russian city of Igarka, well within the Arctic Circle. The scene is a large town meeting hall. It is a Sunday evening. The population has gathered to hear a speech to be made by Josef Kharmazank, a rising young party leader. The year is 2059.

All is quiet as he takes his place at the rostrum.

—"Comrades", he shouts, "Citizens of the Soviet Union. I fear that we have been lax in our work. Now that the capitalists have fallen we no longer strive to meet our goals. All of Russia has grown lazy. No city will surpass its goal for the year, I tell you no city will even meet it. However, the city of Igarka will meet its goal, but we must all work together. If we realize our goal every man, woman and child will be greatly rewarded. We must work. Keep your goal in sight. Work for the glory of Russia. We fought to free you from the bonds of capitalism and we succeeded. Now we ask you to reach a goal, an easy goal and you will deny us that. I ask you why? Have we been working you to hard?"

A shout of "No" roars from the group.

"Have you enough to eat?"

A cry of "Yes" arises from the crowd.

"Do you love Soviet Russia?"

"Yes, yes, yes."

"Then work for your country!!"

The crowd begins to cheer like children at a circus.

This speech is being read in every city throughout the world. In London, New York, Paris, Hong Kong and Tokyo the people shout and cheer like happy dogs.

The gas used in World War III was one which affects the human mind. It is also inherited. It has reduced humanity to the level of animals. Tomorrow they will work. Tomorrow, December 25, 2059.

Stephen Solomita
3A - 319

Why Not

In a long time to come, I remember it well,
A maid by the side of the poor house did dwell,
And there with her father, her life was serene
Her age it was red, her hair was nineteen.
The maid had a lover, who nearby did dwell,
A cross-legged lover and bowl eyed as well.
He said, "Come, let us fly by the light of yon star,
For you are the life of my apple, you are."
"Oh no!" said the maiden as she gave forth with cries,
For my father will scratch out your nails with his eyes.
"You're right!" said the lover, "I'm afraid I must flee."
And drawing a crossbow he ran up a tree.

Maryann Harris
Bishop McDonnell

Christmas Day

As days get short, and nights grow long,
And winter enters with its long white song,
Store lights are lit in joyful array,
Awaiting the arrival of Christmas day.
Children sleep as snow trickles slow
Setting the stage for Santa's show.
For Christmas is close and peace is here
And the world is full of Christmas cheer.

James Gallagher
3A - 311

Doomed

I sit on the outside edge of night
Peering in at a city of fright.
A living mass of filth and evil
This city spurns good and defies upheaval.
At first its faults were foolish and few
But they soon multiplied and grew.
Now with each new influx of immigration
It sinks deeper in its degradation.
Ashamed and amazed at its inward corruption
I am yet sure of its final destruction,
For no spot on earth can long endure
Sin and crime without a cure!
The world will not shed many tears
When, New York, your time to die appears.

Frank Lisciandro
4A - 119

Pennies for the Mission

I am only a poor little penny,
Maybe not of much value to you,
But, if you send me around to the Missions
You'll be surprised at the things I can do.

Although I'm unloved and unnoticed
And sometimes feel rather forlorn,
I'm willing to go where they send me,
Even tho' I am small, brown and worn.

I would travel to faraway countries
(where the natives all think I'm a gem)
And am still trying hard to be useful
Though I'm thrown round again and again.

So make up your mind just to use me
For I'm valued where things are "a must"
And am proud of the message I carry.
And the words are . . . "In God Do We Trust."

Emil Opperman
1A - 405

What's My Name?

The **Jamesonian** will sponsor its first contest of the year. All Loughlin students are invited to enter the contest, which is easy and which will extend over a period of a few editions. Just read the jingle and decide who is represented in the catchy phrases. You may be the lucky winner. Simply follow the outlined rules.

Rules for contest:

(1) The winner will be one who identified the greatest number of persons correctly. Therefore one wrong answer in the beginning does not prevent you from winning.

(2) In case of a tie, the prize money of $10 will be divided.

(3) All answers must be submitted to **Jamesonian** box on the first floor.

(4) Regulation recitation paper must be used and must contain the name and class of the individual as well as his answers numbered in order.

(5) Answers to the first set must be in the **Jamesonian** box by no later than January 6.

"Contest Jingles"

1. **A duel caused me to be bankrupt**
   And the loss of my good name.
   My initials are opposite of Benedict Arnold's,
   But our deeds were quite the same.

2. **I am a fictional character**
   Who can't be beat.
   I'm modeled after Carmen
   And I sing and stamp my feet.

3. **The Pulitzer Prize increased my fame**
   For a book with an enormous name.
   Now there is a new novel on hand
   About one of our newer lands.

Legion of Mary

Organized in Ireland in 1921, about the same time as the Communist Party, the Legion of Mary has come to be known as the symbol of new hope for the Catholic Lay movement throughout the world. From its humble beginning in Dublin, the Legion has grown to such a degree that in China in 1951, over one thousand Legionaires gave their lives and ten thousand had been imprisoned because they opposed the spread of Communism. This incident occurred in a country where Catholics comprise only one-tenth of a percent of the population.

Under the moderation of Brother B. Raymund, the spiritual director of Loughlin's curia, the Loughlin Legion of Mary meets once a week. Each meeting is begun with a spiritual reading after which discussions are held so that members may contribute their personal ideas and opinions.

On Monday afternoons, the group teaches catechism to youngsters to prepare them to receive First Holy Communion. They also travel to various institutions teaching the deaf and dumb children. On Wednesday afternoons at two o'clock, the Legion of Mary teaches public school children on release time. These, slightly older than the Monday group, are being prepared for the reception of the sacrament of Confirmation. This work is carried on in Presentation Parish, East New York.

The groups visit certain hospitals and homes for the aged on Sunday mornings. Some teach the faith to the sick, while others comfort the aged. The Legion of Mary does the Bishop's Work steadily in a number of other areas throughout Brooklyn. The following are a few such places: The Doctor White Settlement House and Our Lady of Montserat Parish on Lewis Avenue.

Recently, the Bishop of Brooklyn, Brian J. McEntegart, encouraged the development of new units to provide for the spiritual and moral training of today's youth. Following the example of Loughlin, new units have been formed in schools conducted by the Christian Brothers, all dedicating themselves to Mary and all fervently following in the footsteps of the first Legion of Mary, organized back in 1921.

Epitaph

I am humanity and I am afraid. I have been on this Earth for millions of years and I have seen many things.

I saw Abraham and Isaac and Jacob cutting their names into history with their deeds. I saw Egyptians building the pyramids and Moses wandering in the desert. I was there when Caesar crossed the Rubicon and when he was killed by the conspirators. I saw Jesus Christ stagger up Calvary under the weight of a huge wooden cross. I fought the barbarians as they invaded Rome and wept at the downfall of a mighty nation. I rode with Napoleon and froze on the march back from Waterloo. I was with Columbus as he stepped onto the shores of America. I fought with both sides during the Revoutionary War. I fought the War of 1812, the Spanish-American War, World War I and World War II. I saw the first Atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima. I have witnessed the rise of Hitler and Stalin and Khruschchev. Every day I see new weapons being developed and tested. I have seen a stalemate form between two mighty nations.

I am humanity. I rose from the slime of the Earth. I built and I created. I have created something more powerful than myself, and I am afraid it will destroy me.

Stephen Solomita
3A - 319

All These

The autumn sunset of red and gold,
The winter sky of gray and bold,
The spring mists that hasten the dawn,
The summer forests of fleeting fawn,
The praire grass that sways to and fro,
Under the wind that carries the snow,
The warm rain that gently falls upon the grass,
And hums a song as it starts to pass,
By the trees that echo nature's songs,
Of love, peace and a desire to belong,
All these that unite and bind,
Would all be mine, were I not blind.

James Gallagher
3A - 311

Under Fire

Six short months ago he was a carefree boy working part time in the malt shop. He had just made the down payment on an engagement ring. To him life never seemed sweeter. Yes, youth did seem wonderful.

This was six months ago. Today he was a marine. The Higgin's boat dropped and swayed under him as it plowed through the serene waters of the South Pacific. The movement of the boat, added to the acrid odor of sweat and vomit, was making him nauseous. His thoughts were no longer those of his loved ones. They had now turned towards the possibility of survival.

He was vaguely aware of the shells that were exploding around him. In fact, he only imagined having heard the sergeant's voice as it bellowed above the roaring thunder of the menacing, nearing explosions, telling them to get ready to hit the beach. Yet, he checked his equipment and noticed his hands were trembling. Suddenly he felt a jolt. Their destination had been reached. Now, as he sat in his foxhole waiting for a banzai charge which intelligence reported would come at any moment, it seemed strange that all he could remember of the landing was the feeling of sand under his boots as he ran and fired.

He no longer had that care free glitter in his eyes. They were now set deeper in their sockets. They were no longer the eyes of youth. They were now eyes that had aged with a concentrated fear which would be known only to their owner. He had matured the hard way, under fire.

Sal Di Franco

LOUDSPEAKER

FRANK LISCIANDRO

Congratulations

—to the track team for its fine showing in the Catholic High School Relay Carnival in which the team broke two records and in the Loughlin Games in which it placed first.

The performance in these two meets has heightened the general feeling that the school is in for another championship track season.

Last year the team placed first in almost all of its major meets. It also tied for first place at Schenectady with Mt. Pleasant for the unofficial state title.

Best of luck to the varsity composed of: E. Bowes, L. Accardi, T. Bast, W. Daly, J. McKenna, J. Hack, J. O'Connor, T. Pannell, C. Russo, K. Coniglio, V. Scott, R. Taddeo, M. Schimmenti, R. Christopher, P. Regan, J. Wezwick, K. Morin, J. Buondelmonte, G. Cappiello, R. Daniels, W. Fitzpatrick, V. Goodwin, P. Grassotti, P. Gavagan, P. McGrath, J. Oberst, R. Blaney, R. McLoughlin, M. Weber, W. White, T. Shannon, J. Ryan, M. Hannon.

—to the varsity basketball team on its recent league victories against St. John's, Xaverian, St. Augustine, and Msgr. McClancy. It also defeated New Dorp of Staten Island in a non-league game.

The team, paced by Captain Ed Pare has many of the ingredients of a championship squad and our chances at the title this year are excellent.

The J.V. also deserves a note of commendation for their so far victorious season.

—to the J.V. bowling team currently maintaining a first place league lead. Last year both the varsity and the J.V. won their respective league titles and this year's teams promise to do the same.

Good luck keglers.

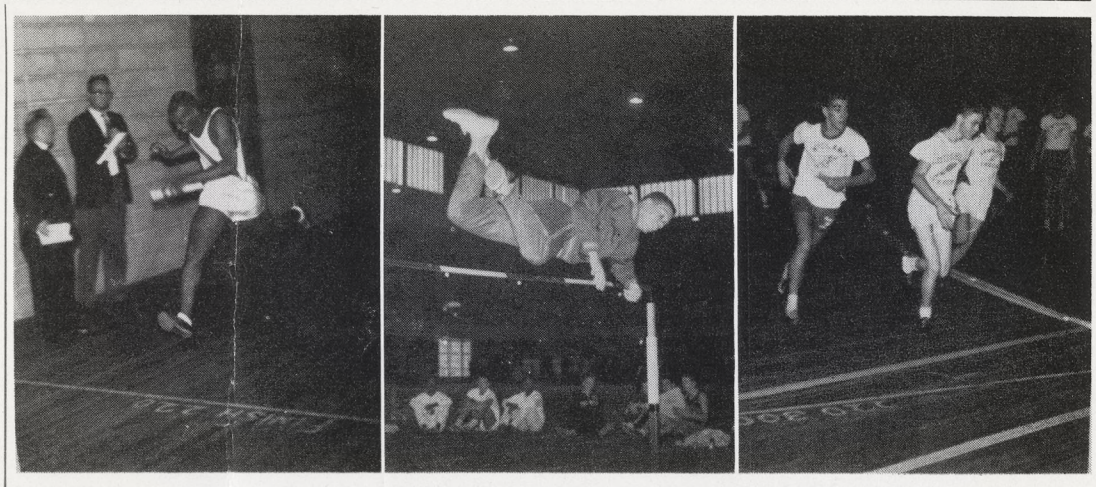
In all respects the sports scene at Loughlin looks promising.

Lionmen

Under the direction of Brother Xavier, a new organization has been started in the school. Dealing primarily with fostering of a greater school spirit, this organization plans to lend its support to every major sports program in which Loughlin participates.

The Lionmen is composed of Peers, the officers of the club, the Lions' Limited, all the senior members, and the regular Lionmen.

Best of luck on a worthwhile venture.



Lions Cop Loughlin Games; Set Relay Carnival Records

Scoring twelve points with three second places the varsity track team won the sixth annual Loughlin Games, run at the 102nd Engineers' Armory, December 12. A crowd of more than 2700 watched the Lions edge out 138 schools with over 2900 competitors from New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, and Pennsylvania.

Ty Pannell contributed eight points to the Loughlin victory by placing second in the 60 yd. high hurdles and second in the high jump. Pannell was inched out at the wire in the hurdles although clocking 7.6 behind Herman Johnson, the winner from Plainfield. Incidentally, Johnson is one of New York's hopes for the 1960 Olympic Decathlon.

Pannell, in the high jump, cleared the bar with a leap of 5' 11". Matt Schimmenti coped the team's first four points by placing second in the shot with a heave of 53' 1". G. Gubner of DeWitt Clinton took first in the shot with a new meet record of 61' 2".

Lions Set Records

Leo's boys started the season, December 5, by scoring in ten events in the Catholic High School Relay Carnival and breaking two records.

The high hurdles relay team composed of T. Pannell, K. Coniglio and R. Taddeo chopped 2.3 seconds off the old record also held by Loughlin. The team finished with a 24.6 over all time. Ty Pannell, John McKenna and Verne Scott tied for first in the high jump relay with Chaminade. The shot put relay of Matt (Whale) Schimmenti, Carmen Russo and Peter Haffner placed fourth while Schimmenti alone placed second. The one-mile relay team of Tom Bast, Tom Maley, Joe Buondelmonte, and Pete McGrath took fifth with a 3:39.4 clocking.

In summarizing the team's chances for the future, Brother John stated: "The performance of individuals in the Relay Carnival indicates that the team will be a contender in everyone of the major meets."

Lion Mermen Defeat Frosh of Columbia

The Loughlin swimming team defeated a freshmen squad representing Columbia University. The final score was 72-23.

Garner Eight Firsts

In amassing their point total the mermen swept eight first places in the nine events contested. The only event taken by Columbia was garnered in the dive.

The Lions scored first with: B. Donohue, in the backstroke; R. Finnegan in the butterfly; W. Langan, in the breaststroke; R. Kerwick, in the 200 yd. freestyle; M. Brockey, in the 100 yd. free style; A. Pagano, in the freestyle; A. McKenna in the 50yd. free style. The medley and free style relay teams composed of Donohue, Ingram, Langan, and Stafford added two more first place finishes.

Pare Leads Cagers to Victory Against Alumni, St. Augustine's and St. John's

by Joseph De Lessio

Loughlin's Varsity hoopsters got off to a fast start this year, with victories over the Alumni in a non-league contest, St. Augustine in the season's opener and St. John's on December 4.

Varsity and JV Win

Coming back to show its style, Loughlin's former basketball stars met the present varsity team on November 28. The stars of today, however, proved too much for the Alumni, defeating them 57 - 43.

The varsity cagers, sparked by Ed Pare's 12 points and Artie Klink's 10, piled enough baskets to give them the 14 point win. Frank Quarto was high man for the Alumni with 14.

Topping off the evening was a contest between Loughlin's frosh and JV teams. At the half time the freshmen trailed by just five but when the final whistle blew, the scoreboard read 58 - 38 in favor of the JV. John DeBiase was high scorer for the JV with 14 points, and Pete McNerney's 11 was tops for the Frosh.

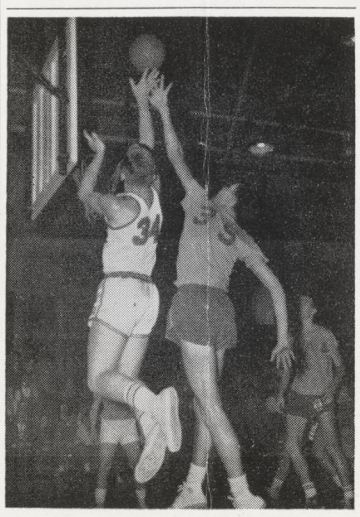
St. Augustine Defeated

St. Augustine suffered a double defeat on its home court at the hands of Loughlin's Varsity and JV teams. The varsity game saw the Lancers ahead by four at the end of the first quarter, but by intermission time the Lions had fought their way to a two point lead. The Lions went on to win with a score of 66 to 51. Pare was the big man with 24 points.

The JV team also overpowered St. Augustine's JV by a score of 39 - 34. John DeBiase garnered 18 points making him high scorer for the game.

Romp St. John's

St. John's was added to the victims of Loughlin's prowess on the courts by virtue of its dual defeat on December 4. Despite the quick lead which the Redmen took in the first few minutes of the game, they found themselves "in the red" 23 - 15 by the end of the first quarter. Th Lions led by 20 points at the half time. St. John's whittled the lead down to 13 by the third quarter, but the Lion hoopsters went on to win, 73 - 52. High scorers were Pare with 24 and Lenny Schnappauf with 14.



Keglers Stopped By Trinity; Trail Tigers By One Point

After compiling three consecutive triumphs in the first round of league competition, Loughlin's Varsity keglers, November 30, sustained their first defeat at the hands of the Tigers from Trinity at the Strand Bowling Alleys. The score was 5-0.

Defeat St. Francis

The team, led by J. Pasquenza, who has a 193 average, has overwhelmed both St. Francis and St. Leonard by the score of 5-0. The pinmen also edged the Redmen from St. John's in a 3-2 match. The team is just behind Trinity with an overall record of 13-7 as compared with Trinity's 14-6.

J.V. Retains Lead

Although the J.V. keglers were also defeated by Trinity's J.V., 5-0, they still retain first place in the CHSAA Brooklyn Division. The little keglers have won victories over St. Leonard, St. Francis and St. John.

Brother Benedict Speaks

Brother C. Benedict, looking forward to the opening of the second round of competition, stated, "In the second round, we hope to regain first place and take a sufficent lead that will insure us a playoff berth in the City Championship. We can almost insure a J.V. championship."

Extensive Intramural Program in Progress

Under the direction of Brother C. Adrian, Loughlin's intramural program is well under way.

Football

The football intramurals are oniy for seniors at the present time. The program is managed by Jack Neuhauser (114) and is organized in such a way that each team will play four games. After these games the top four teams will play in a one-game qualifying playoff. The remaining two teams will finally play a three-game playoff series, which will determine the senior champion. At the present time the two top teams are still undefeated 125 (2-0); 119 (3-0).

Bowling

In the sophomore league I, Vertucci holds high game of 206 and high series of 385. Lombardo and Prajka hold high game of 182 and Lombardo holds high series of 345 in League III.

In Junior League IV Caruso holds high game and high series of 186 and 317 respectively.

Senior League I is led by Cuneo with a 161 high average.

Fr. Scanlon Dedicates Organ, Olivio Wins Contest, At Recent Assemblies

OLIVIO TAKES FIRST IN ORATORICAL CONTEST

The auditorium provided the scene for the Senior Public Speaking Intramurals, Tuesday, November 24. Tht Senior Class was in attendance for the contest. The topic discussed was "A Loughlin Senior's Contribution to a Better New York City."

Pat Powers of room 114 officiated at the contest. The senior orators were judged on their speaking abilities by Mr. Wallace, Mr. Crowe and Brother Baldwin Peter.

Taking first place was Richard Olivio, room 305; second place went to Kevin Shine, room 116, and third place to John Podesta, room 126. There were prizes of five, ten and fifteen dollars awarded to the three finalists.

Promotes Public Speaking

While the judges were in deliberation, Brother Stephen spoke on the purpose of the contest, that of promoting public speaking in the senior classes as an incentive towards scholarships. The contest was conducted under the auspices of Brother Mark, moderator of the Public Speaking Club.

Richard Olivio (above) accepts first place award from Brother Mark.

(Below) Father William Scanlon dedicates Loughlin's new organ

CLASS OF 1959 DONATES ORGAN

The gift of the class of 1959 was formally introduced to the student body at an assembly on November 23. The new organ was blessed and dedicated by Father William Scanlon, Assistant Superintendent of Schools.

Mr. Stolz Plays

Mr. Stolz, guest at the dedication, played a few selections on the new organ for the assembly. They included such favorites as "Ol' Man River," "Begin the Beguine" and "Clair de Lune." Mr. Stolz is a representative from the Hammond Organ Company of Hempstead, Long Island.

Supplements Orchestra

The organ, the Hammond "Concert" model, may be built up to a full six octave chorus and is equipped with twin speakers, one located above each of the two entrances to the auditorium from the main corridor. The organ will supplement our orchestra and is expected to remain as a token of the class of 1959 for many years to come.

Heart of the Matter

FRANK LISCIANDRO

A small child, tucked under piles of blankets, anxiously awaits the arrival of that portly old gentleman from the North. A gentle, silver-haired grandmother carefully packs an array of gifts, made especially to please and delight. A joyfully married couple - fortyish, yet still very young at heart - sit together hand-in-hand waiting for the dawn of a new decade. Crowds, composed of strangers whose faces reflect the stars in their smiles, flock and completely engulf Times Square, watching and waiting for a balloon to ascend, second by second, on its trip to a New Year.

FRANK LISCIANDRO

These scenes - entirely different in cast, time and location - are related in the most mysterious yet most human bond possible.

Known best as the Holiday Spirit, this bond unites people of all races, religions and economic levels. It ties us together from the third week in December to the second week of the young year. Then, as mysteriously as it blooms, the mood fades and leaves us again in the grim race of survival. What happened to the little child who does nothing but satisfy and gratify her parents? Where went those smiling crowds watching on a cold night for the dawn of a New Year?

If you think about it awhile, the situation takes on a tragically funny air. For three weeks during our winter, people become actors in a good-will farce or maybe they let down their guard momentarily and let the world see their joyous soul brimming over with that proverbial cup of good will. If you delve more deeply, stranger thoughts begin to capture the mind. Are joy and cheerfulness characteristics that must be buried only to be dug out once a year while ambitious ruthlessness becomes the desired trait? The train of thoughts can lead us further if imagination is now applied. Our lifetime will be momentous in history as the era that made laughter an unpardonable crime.

The course is now clearly seen but what's to be done? Can we extend the Holiday Season a few weeks each year till it encases the entire twelve months? No, that would not seem a practically quick cure, although its opposite may be the desired remedy. If the Holiday Season cannot be extended, why not extend the Holiday Spirit?

If the world puts on a mask of joy for three weeks, why not leave it on for twelve months? Then again, if the spirit is genuine, why put back the mask of gloom?

Faculty Focus:

Brother Brendan Michael

RON GONELLA

This year, in charge of the continuing committee, is Brother Brendan Michael who has been here at Loughlin since 1952. Previously he taught in Brother's schools at Troy, Lincolndale, Pawtucket, and Detroit.

Possesses Two Degrees

Brother Michael, a man of formidable educational gackground, is the holder of two university degrees, the first being a bachelor of science degree from the Catholic University of America, and the other a master of arts degree in mathematics acquired at Manhattan College.

Earns Fellowships

Besides these achievements, Brother Michael has been the recipient of three separate fellowships. They consist of a General Electric Teacher's Fellowship at Union College, an Esso Oil Science Teacher's Fellowship at New York University, and a National Science Foundation Fellowship also at Union College. Carrying on this quest for knowledge, Brother Michael can often be seen in the school library pouring over the latest scientific magazines.

Now a religion, physics, and physics laboratory instructor, Brother Michael also participates in several school activities including the handling of the centerfield spot in the annual Faculty-Senior softball game (in which he is known to cavort with the aplomb of a Joe DiMaggio). He has been the coach of the handball squad since 1957, coach of the swimming team from 1952-1954, and a past auxiliary chairman, 1954-1958. Sandwiched in between his present endeavors, Brother Michael also finds time to oversee most of the junior activities, including the Junior Prom.

Brother Brendan Michael steps into the spotlight for this month's Faculty Focus.

Dramatics Club Presents Senior Play December 3

The Dramatics Club, under the the competent supervision of Mr. Charles Grosse, presented a one act play, "The Flattering Word". The play, a comedy by George Kelly, was attended by the entire Senior Class.

Playing the roles were Joseph Presutto, 4A-119, the minister; Daniel Piliero, 4A-116, a debonaire actor; Sandra Cassano, an old gossip; Margaret Klein, a young girl; and Christine Gutt, the minister's wife. The girls attend Queen of All Saints High School.

Mr. Grosse plans junior, sophomore and freshman plays for the near future. These will be followed by the annual Bishop Loughlin play, which will be presented toward the end of the school year.

Seniors Score in Exam

Thirty-two Loughlin seniors, who took the National Merit test in their junior year, have received letters of commendation. These awards are presented by the National Merit Board only to students who are in the 99 and 98 percentiles. This fine showing on the part of our seniors brought honor to themselves and their school as well as improving their chances for a college of their choice.

Hot Lunches Return

The hot lunch program returned once again this year to Loughlin's cafeteria.

Through this service students have there choice of main dishes, soups and side dishes, all at the lowest possible price.

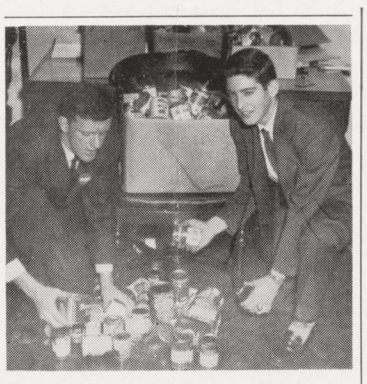
Brother Stephen, commenting on the dinners, points out that these hot lunches provide a nutritious as well as enjoyable meal. This service will terminate late in March.

Benilde Club Conducts Food Drive

ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE BENEFITS AGED

The annual pre-Christmas food drive sponsored by the Benilde Club has set its goal this year at one thousand cans of food. The drive, which is conducted throughout the month of December, terminates with the distribution of the food at the Old Age Home here in Brooklyn.

"Keep Christ in Christmas" is the theme of the drive which was inaugurated at Loughlin two years ago.



Members of the Benilde Club display results of this year's Food Drive.

Each student is asked to donate one can of food or a pack of cigarettes, or some other non-perishable product.

Shine Heads Committee

Kevin Shine of room 116 is the chairman of the collection committee. He is aided in the drive by Frank Devlin, 114, Ross Baiera, 119, Thomas McNamara, 126, and Joseph Martos, 106.

The posters which stress the importance of the food drive were drawn by Steve Degnen, 312, Bill Daly, 319, and Mike Monahan, 208.

Glee Club and Orchestra Host Christmas Dance

The Christmas Holly Dance was sponsored this year by two groups representing the music department, the Glee Club and the orchestra. The dance was conducted under the auspices of Brother Basilian, who was assisted in his duties by Brothers Lawrence, Richard and Philip. Music for the dance was provided by the Loughlin Casuals.

Loughlin Conducts Annual College Night

The Guidance Department, under the direction of Brother A. Raphael, presented its annual college Night here on Monday evening, December 7.

College Representatives Attend

Meeting to discuss various college topics were representatives from six colleges. They gave addresses concerning their respective colleges and then proceeded to answer questions concerning admission, courses and costs.

Aids Students

It is hoped that this meeting will aid students in choosing the college best suited for them and their future plans.

TV Notes:

Sunday, December 27:
Projection 60 - The Year Ahead (NBC)
Friday, January 1:
Bell Telephone Hour (NBC)
Wednesday, January 6:
Years of Crisis (CBS)
Thursday, January 7:
Special Tonight (CBS)
Friday, January 8:
Art Carney Special (NBC)
Friday, January 15:
Bell Telephone Hour (NBC)
Sunday, January 17:
The Fabulous Fifties (CBS)
Arrowsmith (CBS)